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COUNTRY East Germany

REPORT NO. [REDACTED]

TOPIC Military Information from the Koenigsbrueck Training Area

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EVALUATION see below

PLACE OBTAINED [REDACTED]

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REFERENCES

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REMARKS

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1. On 16 March 1954, the Nachrichten Schule (1521), Koenigsbrueck, was occupied by about 700 troops wearing red-bordered black epaulets, including some with tank insignia. About 30 T-34/85 tanks and 20 armored personnel carriers belonged to the installation. [REDACTED] entered the installation. [REDACTED]

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2. On 16 March, Altes Lager in Koenigsbrueck was occupied by about 150 troops wearing red-bordered black epaulets. [REDACTED] carrying gasoline containers, left Altes Lager toward Neues Lager and/or Nachrichten Schule.

3. On 16 March, reports of light and medium artillery pieces were heard from the direction of Neues Lager. During the preceding days, AAA firing practices at towed-sleeve targets had been held. [REDACTED]

4. On 16 March, the Nachrichten Schule, Koenigsbrueck, was occupied by about 1,200 troops wearing red-bordered black epaulets, mostly with tank insignia and Altes Lager was occupied by about 150 troops wearing red-bordered black epaulets. The latter installation appeared to be occupied as previously by a Soviet fuel and equipment depot and a motor vehicle repair shop. [REDACTED]

5. On 16 March, Neues Lager, Koenigsbrueck, was occupied as previously by about 2,500 troops wearing AAA and artillery insignia and about 700 troops wearing tank insignia. Officers of the installation included Colonel (Arty) Zapalov (fnu); Major (Arty) Petrov (fnu), supply officer; Major Korolov (fnu), chief of the main commissary; and Colonel Kershakov (fnu), who was on leave in the USSR in mid-March. Between 8 and 16 March, [REDACTED]

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6. Unloadings observed in Koenigsbrueck between 20 and 22 March included:

20 March. A train of 4 boxcars and 38 flatcars carrying 41 trucks [redacted] 25X1
[redacted] and 13 AA guns, from Jena. A train of 4 boxcars and 12
flatcars with sideracks, from Dresden.

22 March. A train of 4 boxcars and 18 flatcars with sideracks from Grimma.

7. During the night on 21 March, about 150 trucks with AT guns, mortars and troops went to Koenigsbrueck, coming from the direction of Dresden.

1. [redacted] Comment. The information fails to indicate the distribution in Neues Lager and Nachrichten Schule, Koenigsbrueck, of the regiments of the 11th Gds Tank Div stationed there. The report refers to the three medium tank regiments, one of which may be stationed in Dresden-Klotzsche, and the mortar regiment. Some of the

[redacted] to the 4th Gds AAA Div and the unidentified artillery
brigade of the 1st Gds Mech Army carried there. The officers Petrov and Karshakov
(both fnu) were previously reported by [redacted] 25X1

2. [redacted] Comment. [redacted] and dispatching stations of, the
trains, confirm the continuation of the AAA firing practices of the Eighth Gds
Army in Koenigsbrueck. [redacted] 25X1

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